

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 478
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A RESOLUTION to grant to any Tennessee community raising American flags in a specific program to honor veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States the designation "Flag City USA".

WHEREAS, throughout the history of the United States, from the time of its struggle for independence to the present, including Operation Iraqi Freedom, the men and women who constitute the Armed Forces of our nation have risked life and limb to preserve our liberty, our values, and our national interests, both at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, in every generation, citizen warriors have left their civilian lives and often suffered grievous wounds and sometimes loss of life itself on behalf of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, at this time in our history, following recent conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq in waging the war against terrorism, and also as we bid a final goodbye each year to many of the brave men and women who served in World War II, it is incumbent upon each of us to reflect upon what the sacrifices of American veterans have meant to our way of life; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of and appreciation for the efforts of the Kiwanis Club of Cleveland to honor our veterans, past, present, and future, by raising American flags on streets

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within their community in a campaign culminating in a patriotic celebration of July 4, 2003; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that this body hereby awards the designation "Flag City USA" to the City of Cleveland and to any other Tennessee community which acts to similarly honor veterans through a similar program of the raising of American flags in their respective communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.